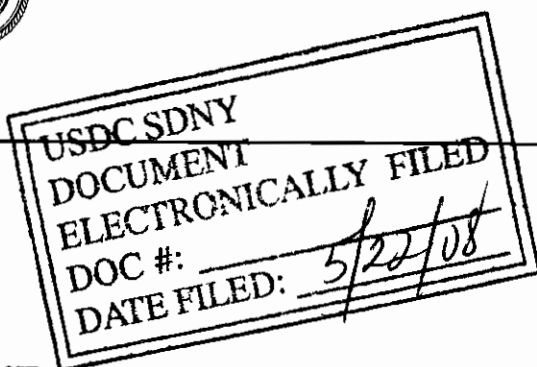




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May 22, 2008

**BY HAND**

The Honorable Loretta A. Preska  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
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LORETTA A. PRESKA  
U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE  
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Re: United States v. Robert Mines,  
08 CR 216 (LAP)

Dear Judge Preska:

The Government writes in connection with the hearing on the defendant's motion to suppress, which is scheduled for May 30, 2008. The Government has subpoenaed Julia Craig, who provided the defendant with a declaration in support of the defendant's motion, to testify at the hearing. Because Ms. Craig's prior testimony and her prior statements to law enforcement officers are inconsistent with the statements in her declaration, the Government believes that Ms. Craig should have the opportunity to have counsel appointed to represent her in connection with the hearing.

To avoid any appearance of impropriety, the Government requests either (1) that the Court advise Ms. Craig of her right to have counsel appointed to represent her in connection with the hearing or (2) that the Court authorize the Government to advise Ms. Craig of her right to have counsel appointed to represent her in connection with the hearing. The Government requests that the

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Court schedule a brief conference in advance of the hearing to consider this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc (by hand): Jennifer Brown, Esq., Attorney for Defendant

*Counsel and Ms. Craig shall appear  
to address the above on May 28, 2008 at  
2:00 P.M.*

*May 22, 2008*

SO ORDERED

Loretta A. Preska  
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE